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PRESIDENT: Senator Kelly, and then Senator Frank Lewis.

SENATOR KELLY: Mr. President, and colleagues, a question of Senator Lewis.

PRESIDENT: Senator Lewis yield to a question.

SENATOR LEWIS: Yes.

SENATOR KELLY: Does this automatically then, allow initiative petition in all of the political subdivisions?

SENATOR LEWIS: If you are talking about a municipality being a political subdivision, yes.

SENATOR KELLY: Then all municipality subdivisions will automatically have initiative petitions?

SENATOR LEWIS: No, not those with a city manager type, or a city charter type.

SENATOR KELLY: They all ready have it.

SENATOR LEWIS: They all ready have it.

SENATOR KELLY: Now do they have..will this give them the automatic right of referendum, also?

SENATOR LEWIS: This section does not deal with that, so I would say no.

(End Belt #5)

(Start Belt #6)

But I'm not sure on it.

SENATOR KELLY: What I want to do is be sure that the people have the right in these municipalities to initiate petition or they have a right of approval of referendum.

SENATOR LEWIS: This is what this will provide for if we repeal this section.

PRESIDENT: Senator Kelly. Are you through?

SENATOR KELLY: No, I'm not through because I'm getting two inputs here. As it stands now these people in the communities thought they had the right initiative and the right referendum. But they found out there had to be an ordinance that's passed in the municipalities to allow this. If we repeal this section do they automatically have these two rights? That's my question.

SENATOR LEWIS: The answer is yes.

SENATOR KELLY: Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Now, Senator Frank Lewis.